

FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map Update

FEMA recommends the following format for property owners that want to file a Protest petition.

PROTEST PETITION

During the 90-day Public Comment Period, a formal Protest can be made by a community or any other interested party who objects to any new or revised information shown on a Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panel or in the Flood Insurance Study Report that does not involve Base Flood elevations (BFEs; see the Appeal Petition form regarding objecting to BFEs). In general a formal Protest involves comments regarding the delineation of the updated Flood Hazard Maps. The basis of formal protests is listed below along with the data needed to support it.

Basis of Formal Protest	Required Data to Support Protest	Submitted by
Floodplain boundaries Floodway boundaries	1. Certified topographic maps or other certified ground elevation data of greater detail and/or more recent than those used for the preliminary FIRM panel in question 2. Requested changes annotated on the topographic mapping and preliminary FIRM panel	Interested individual Registered land surveyor GIS specialist
Corporate limits Road names Road locations	Community maps in either digital or paper format showing the current information	Community official Interested Individual Registered land surveyor GIS specialist

Note: Dispute of the Floodway Boundaries may require updated hydraulic modeling and should be submitted with proper documentation as an Appeal.

Please use the following tables when submitting a Protest Petition

Name		Date	
Company		Phone number	
Address		Phone number (alternate)	
City		E-mail	

Panel Number	Basis of Formal Objection	Description of Challenged Data	Data Supporting Objection

An Appeal Petition and all supporting documents can only be submitted during the 90-day Public Comment Period and therefore must be received by the county no later than April 6, 2007. Please mail this fully completed Appeal Petition and supporting documentation to:

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